

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 879

By Williams

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Representative Steve McDaniel for his honorable and astute service to the people of Tennessee as a member of the House of Representatives.

WHEREAS, it is most appropriate that the members of this body should honor those fellow legislators who performed their duties with the utmost integrity and whose efforts during their time in office were dedicated to providing thoughtful and exemplary service to their districts and to this great State; and

WHEREAS, Representative Steve McDaniel of Parkers Crossroads is one such distinguished public servant who has served the citizens of the 72nd House District and this legislative body with honor and ability as a member of the 96th, 97th, 98th, 99th, 100th, 101st, 102nd, 103rd, 104th, 105th, 106th, 107th, 108th, 109th, and 110th General Assemblies; and

WHEREAS, a recognized leader among his fellow members, Representative McDaniel served as Deputy Speaker of the House of Representatives for the 106th, 107th, 108th, 109th, and 110th General Assemblies; Minority Leader of the 100th, 101st, and 102nd General Assemblies; and Republican Caucus Chairman of the 98th and 99th General Assemblies; and

WHEREAS, during his tenure, Representative McDaniel has served his constituents in Henderson, Chester, Decatur, Perry, Wayne, Hardeman, and Madison counties, always working diligently at his elected duties and expending the necessary effort to understand the opposing sides of complex issues; and

WHEREAS, as an active and dynamic participant in the legislative process, Representative McDaniel rendered sterling service as a member of the House Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee, the House Finance, Ways and Means Committee, the House Conservation and Environment Committee, the House Health and Human Resources

Committee, the House Calendar and Rules Committee, the House Government Operations Committee, the House Budget Subcommittee, and the House Agriculture Subcommittee; and

WHEREAS, a member of the Joint Council on Pensions and Insurance, Representative McDaniel has served as chair of the House Rules Committee, the House Ethics Committee, and the House Finance, Ways and Means Study Subcommittee; and

WHEREAS, he is a former member of the Joint Veterans Affairs Committee, the Joint Business Tax Committee, the Joint Long Term Care Oversight Committee, the Joint Workers' Compensation Committee, and the Joint TennCare Oversight Committee; and

WHEREAS, Representative McDaniel is a member and former chairman of the Douglas Henry State Museum Commission, a former member of the Tennessee Civil War Sesquicentennial Commission, and a former member and National Chairman of the Board of Directors of the American Legislative Exchange Council; and

WHEREAS, Steve McDaniel attended Jackson State Community College and holds a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of Memphis. He is the city manager for Parkers Crossroads, the former restaurateur, president, and general manager of Cotton Patch, Incorporated, and a former member and president of the Tennessee Restaurant Association; and

WHEREAS, a gentleman who truly appreciates the responsibilities, as well as the privileges, of leadership and citizenship, he has donated his time and energies as president of the Henderson County Chamber of Commerce, and as a member of the Chester County Chamber of Commerce, the Decatur County Chamber of Commerce, the Wayne County Chamber of Commerce, the Perry County Chamber of Commerce, and the Jackson Area Chamber of Commerce; and

WHEREAS, a past president of the Henderson County Historical Society, Representative McDaniel is a member of the Tennessee Civil War Preservation Association and the Civil War Trust, historian for the Parkers Crossroads Battlefield Association, and chairman of the biennial Battle of Parker's Crossroads Living History and Battle Reenactment; and

WHEREAS, he is a former chairman and member of the Board of Directors of the Tourism Association of Southwest Tennessee and a member of the Henderson County Possum Club and Pvt. Ike Stone SCV Camp #564; and

WHEREAS, throughout his outstanding career as a legislator, Steve McDaniel has worked tirelessly on behalf of his constituents, bringing to his office an honorable bearing and the traditional values of hard work and common sense; and

WHEREAS, his many civic and professional accomplishments aside, Steve McDaniel is most appreciative of the love and companionship he shares with his wife, Phyllis Taylor McDaniel, and their daughter, Andrea McDaniel Smith and her husband Adrian, and grandson Zeke; and

WHEREAS, Representative Steve McDaniel is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the Volunteer State, and he should be specially recognized for his exemplary tenure in this body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED TENTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor Representative Steve McDaniel for his meritorious service to Tennessee as a member of the House of Representatives, commend him for his countless contributions and many good works in service of the citizens of the 72nd House District, and extend to him our best wishes for much continued success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.